

# **Progress Report**

May 27, 2015

Steam Enhanced Extraction at the Former Williams AFB,  
ST012 Site

Mesa, AZ



## 1. Summary

This report covers the period of operations from Tuesday, May 19, 2015 through Monday, May 25, 2015. The following table provides a summary of the project operational status.

**Table 1. Project Summary**

	Value	Unit
Target Treatment Zone (TTZ) Soil Volume	410,000	cubic yards (cy)
Area	199,000	square feet (ft <sup>2</sup> )
Upper Depth of Treatment	145	feet (ft) below ground surface (bgs)
Lower Depth of Treatment	245	ft bgs
Vapor Liquid Treatment Started	09/29/14	
Thermal Operations Started	09/29/14	
Last Process Data Update	05/25/15	
Last Temperature Data Update	05/25/15	
Estimated Total Days of Operation	422	days
Days of Operation	238	days
Days of Operation vs. Estimate	56	percent (%)
Estimated Total Energy Usage	11,343,000	kilowatt hours (kWh)
Total Energy Used	2,088,823	kWh
Used Electrical Energy vs. Estimate	18	%
Total Steam Injected	138.5	million pounds (lbs)
Projected Total Steam Injection	320	million lbs
Steam Injected Vs Projected	43	%
Total Mass Removed in Vapor Based on Photoionization Detector (PID) Readings	210,576	lbs
Total Mass Removed as NAPL	617,466	lbs
Average Daily NAPL Mass Removal Last Week	2,218	lbs/day
Total Vapor and Liquid Mass Removal (based on PID readings)	828,042	lbs
Average Power Usage Rate Last Week	470	kilowatts (kW)
Average Wellfield Vapor Extraction Rate Last Week	477	standard cubic feet per minute (scfm)
Average Condensate Production Rate Last Week	0.8	gallons per minute (gpm)
Average Water Extraction Rate Last Week	121	gpm
Total Water Extracted	36,211,557	gallons
Total Recovered Light Non-Aqueous Phase Liquid	93,840	gallons
Average Water Discharge Rate Last Week	175	gpm
Total Treated Water Discharge	46,330,000	gallons

Operational highlights from the past week include:

- On Tuesday May 19, 2015, extraction wells UWBZ27 and LSZ29 were pulled, repaired and put back into service.
- On Tuesday May 19, 2015 steam was observed at the surface close to UWBZ07 and LSZ07 (steam in the form of wet ground, not a plume). These are two of the steam injection wells utilized for the steam pilot. This indicates that one of the wells has a compromised well construction. Both wells were shut off until the steam at the surface disappeared.

- On Wednesday May 20, LSZ07 was put back in operation at a low rate, while UWBZ07 was kept offline. After a day, steam was again observed close to LSZ07. Steam was again shut off to LSZ07.
- Steam was then injected to UWBZ07 at a low rate on Friday May 22, 2015. The current injection rate at UWBZ07 is currently 880 lbs/hr; to date no steam has been observed at the surface.
- The average steam injection rate in the LSZ was 23,800 lbs/hr.
- The average steam injection rate in the UWBZ was 10,700 lbs/hr.
- Eductor skids were cycled so that five eductor skids were running at a time. Eductor zones 4, 5 and 6 were kept online as they cover the downgradient edge of the treatment zone.
- The average liquid extraction rate from the formation was approximately 121 gpm.
- Collected process, wellfield and laboratory data per the sampling schedule.
- Conducted regular maintenance on the treatment system.

## 2. Vapor Extraction

Figure 1 below shows the vapor extraction rate from the site. Note that the estimated steam extraction rate is a calculated value based on the water generated at the moisture separators after cooling the vapors from the wellfield. Additionally the wellfield flow is calculated as the difference between the air stripper flows and thermal accelerator influent, and is therefore only an estimate.

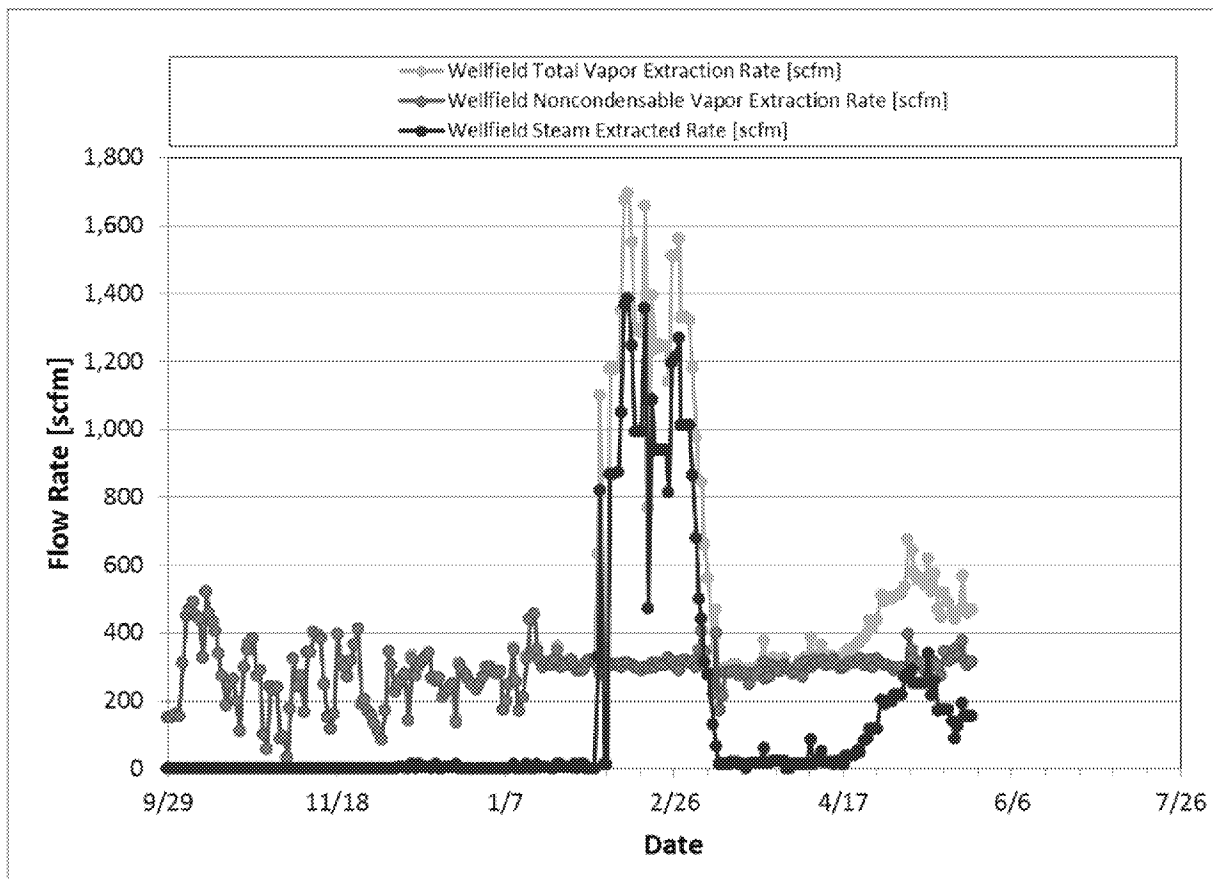


Figure 1. Vapor Extraction Rate

### 3. PID Measurements

The following figure depicts the PID concentrations from the wellfield effluent to the effluent of the thermal accelerators collected since the start of operations. Note that PID readings of 0.0 parts per million by volume (ppmV) are shown in the figures as 0.01 ppmV due to the logarithmic scale that does not allow display of 0-values. Accelerator influent readings are interpolated for days where no data is collected, since the value is used in the mass removal calculation.

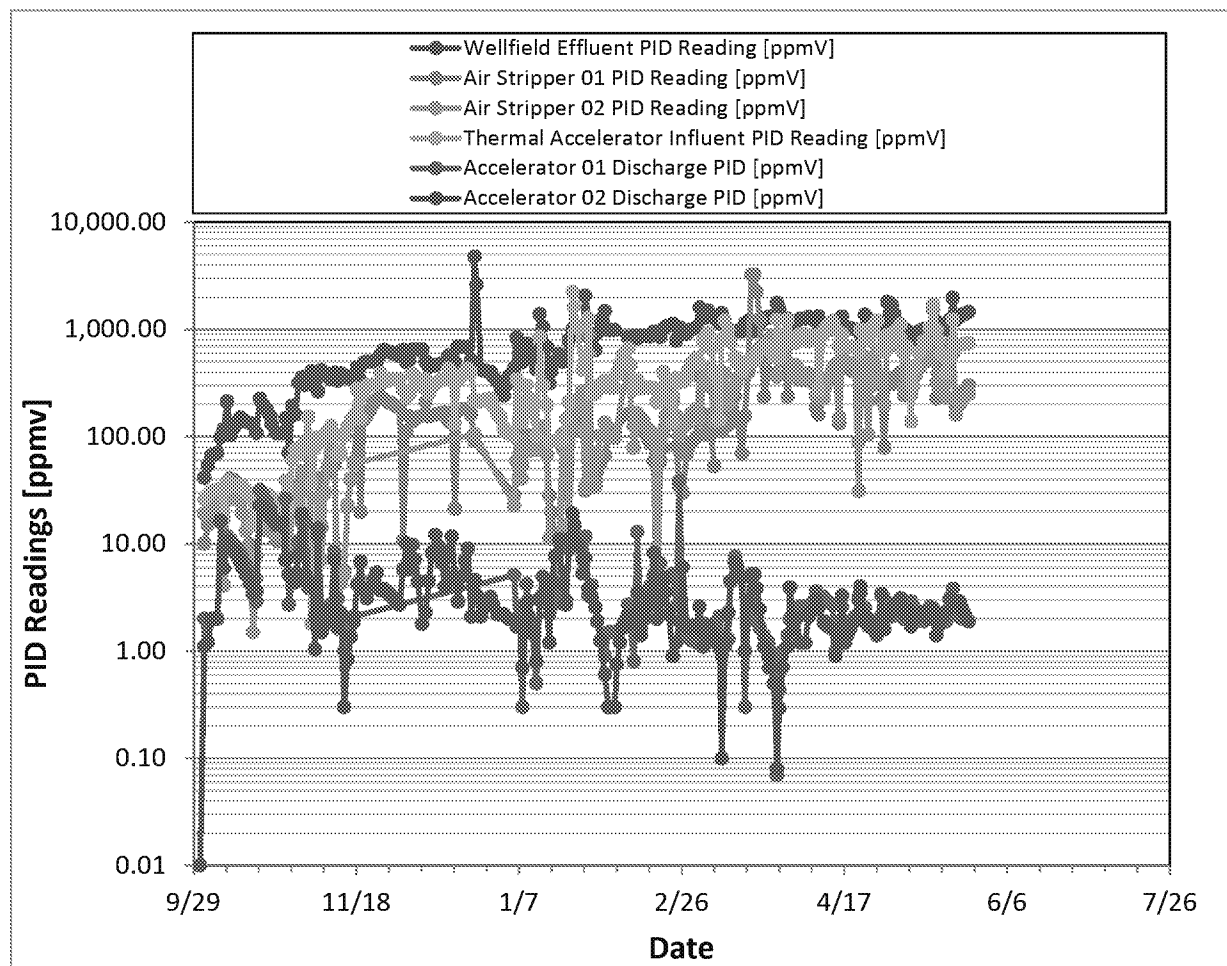
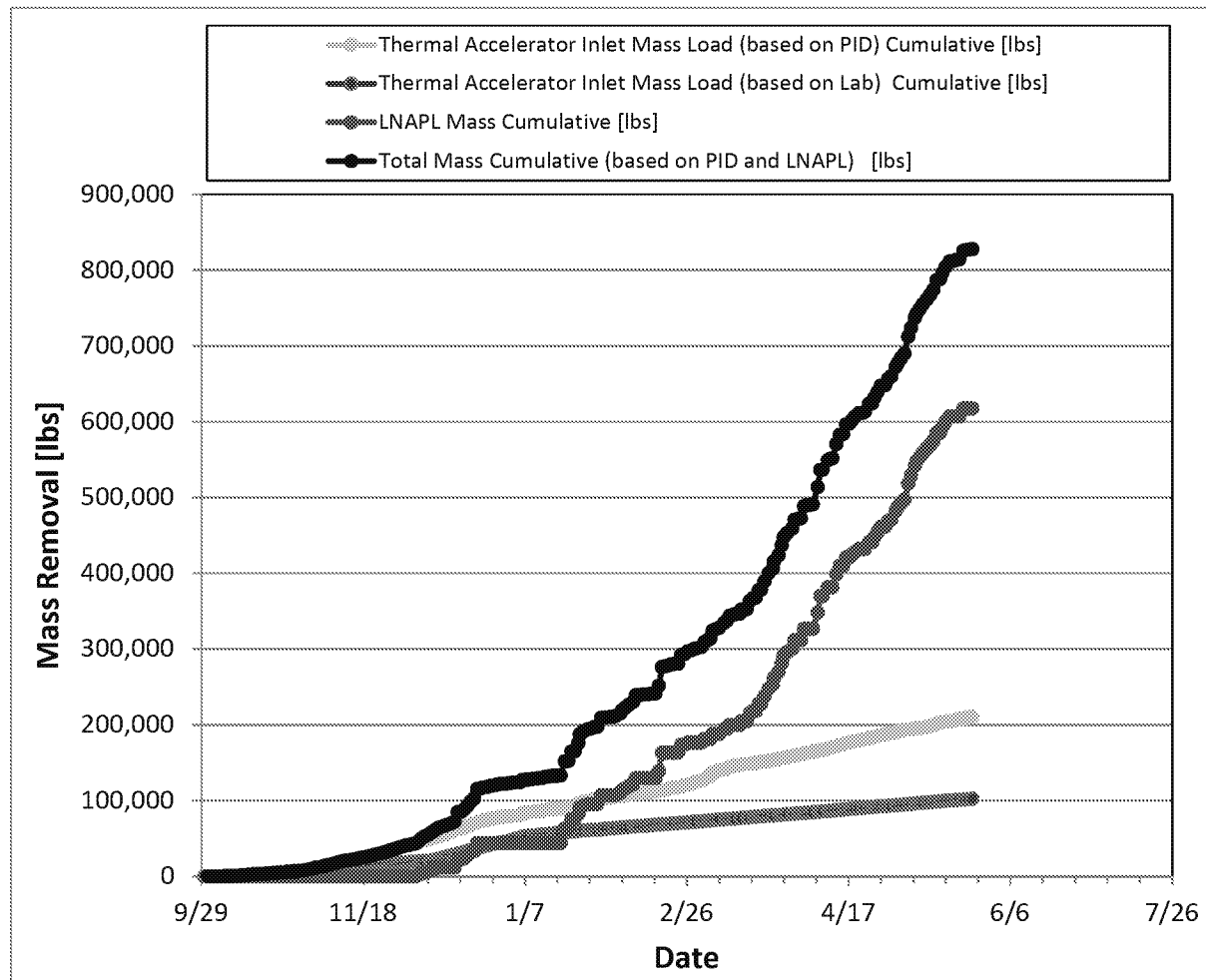


Figure 2. PID Readings

## 4. Mass Removal

The mass removal is calculated based on the PID and laboratory data collected at the thermal accelerator influent and the LNAPL recovered. The figure also depicts the mass removed based on PID and laboratory data.

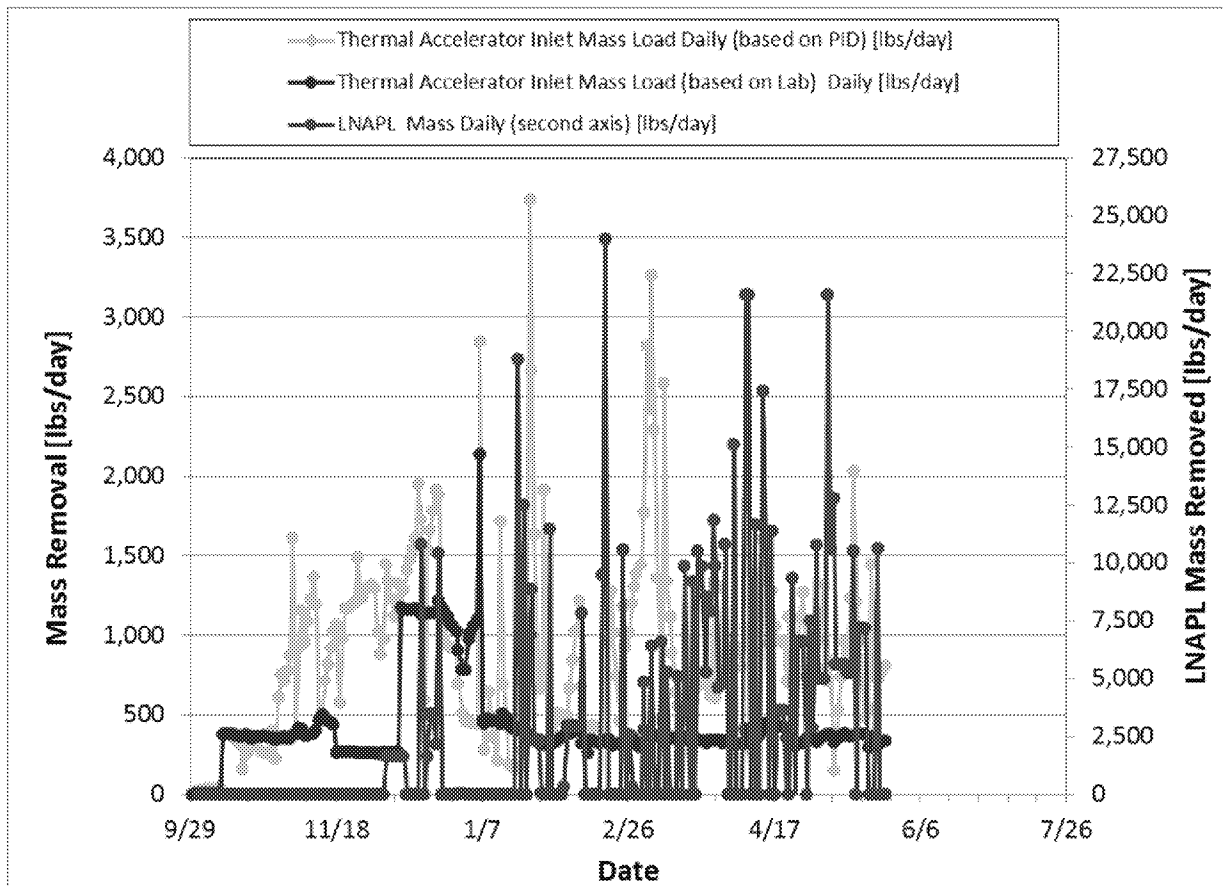


**Figure 3. Mass Removal**

*Note: A NAPL density of 6.58 lbs/gallons was used to convert the NAPL volume to pounds.*

## 5. Daily Mass Removed

Figure 4 outlines the daily mass removed as vapor and LNAPL. The total daily mass removed is the combination of vapor and LNAPL. The liquid mass removal is captured in the vapor phase due to the volatilization of liquid contaminants in the air strippers.



**Figure 4. Daily Mass Removed**

*Note: Laboratory data are not collected daily. The "Thermal Accelerator Inlet Mass Load (based on lab)" is an average daily rate of actual lab data collected. Note that accumulated LNAPL is pumped through the NAPL conditioning system in a batch style process.*

## 6. Power Usage

The cumulative power usage is shown below. All electricity used at the site is utilized to run the process system and steam generators.

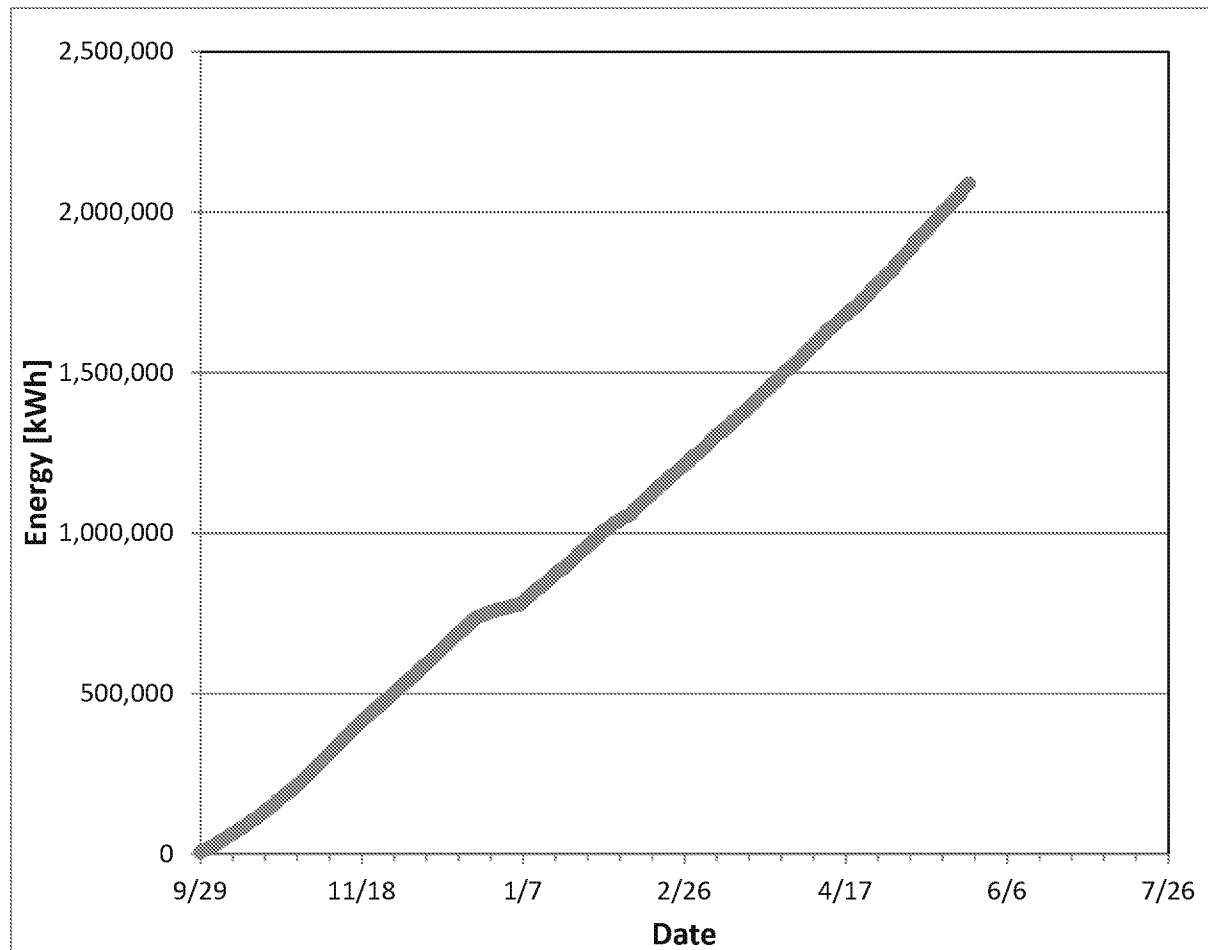


Figure 5. Cumulative Power Usage



## 7. Average Temperature

The average soil temperatures as degrees Celsius (°C) and degrees Fahrenheit (°F) are shown in the figure below by treatment zone (i.e., LSZ, UWBZ and Cobble Zone [CZ]). Please note that five temperature monitoring arrays (TMPs 5, 6, 7, 9 and 17) have been removed, and therefore the temperatures from these wells have been excluded in the average temperature calculations.

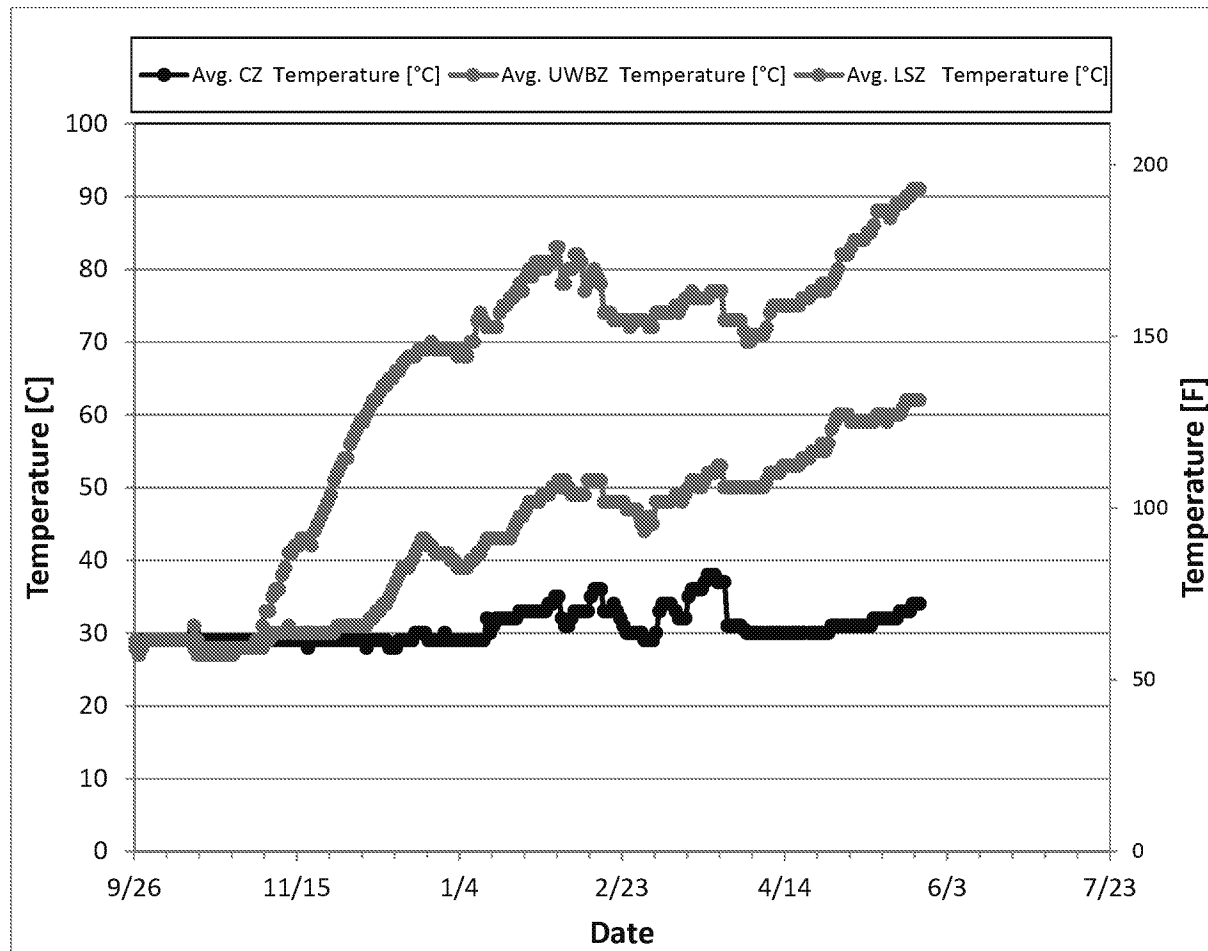


Figure 6. Average Soil Temperatures

## 8. Vertical and Horizontal Temperature Profiles

The following Figures 7 and 8 show the temperature in °C versus depth profiles for each of the 17 individual temperature monitoring points. Figures 9-12 show the horizontal temperature distribution across the site in four depth intervals.

Temperature highlights for the past week include:

- TMP 1 continues to heat up and has now reached boiling at 155 ft bgs and continues to heat up at the 145-150 ft bgs depth.
- The heat up rate at perimeter well TMP 2 215 ft bgs has slowed down, and the temperature is now at 54°C. The rest of the sensors are all below 36°C.
- TMP 8 has reached boiling at 195 ft bgs.
- TMP 10 is continuing to show increasing LSZ temperatures since nearby steam injection well LSZ25 was dialed back on May 1 and again on May 11, 2015, but the heat up rates have decreased and selected depths are now decreasing in temperature again.
- TMP 13 continues to heat up in the LSZ in the 200 to 235 ft bgs zone.
- TMP 15 has decreased in temperature between the 175 and 205 ft bgs depth over the last week.

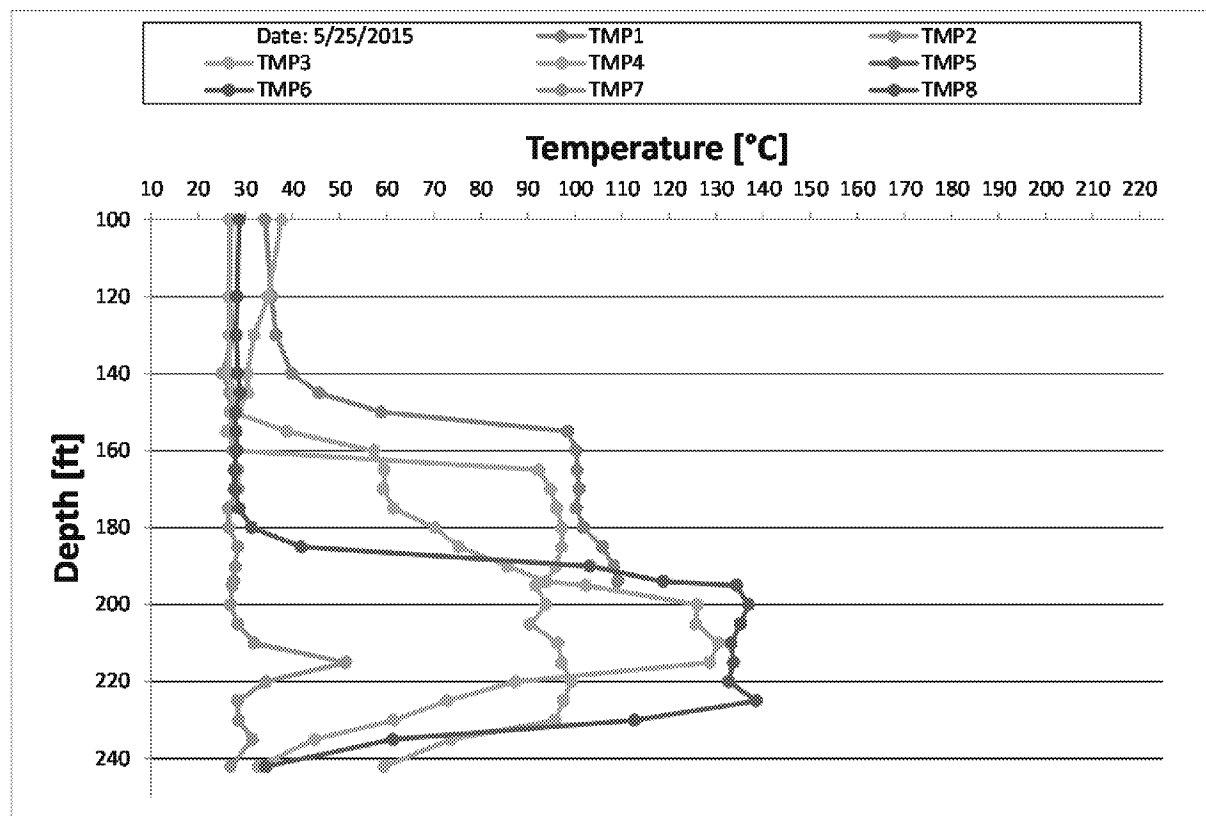


Figure 7. Vertical Temperature Profiles (TMP1 through TMP8)

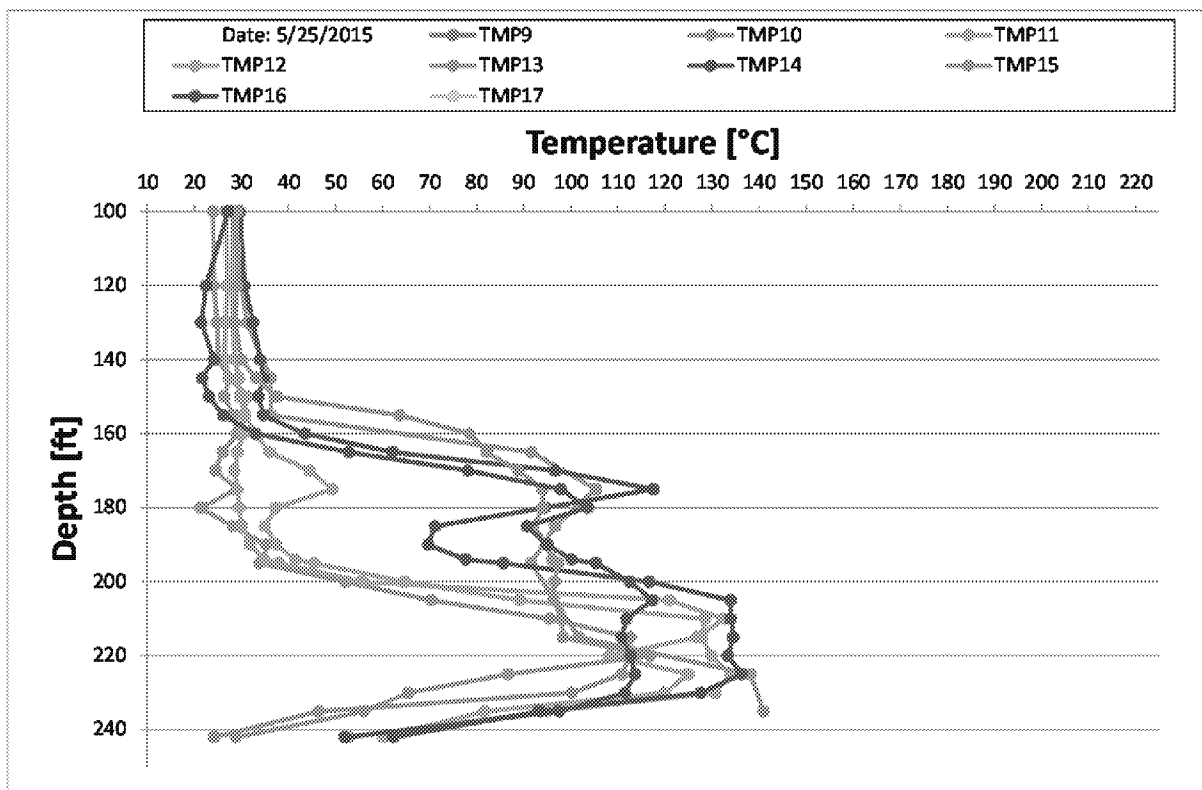


Figure 8. Vertical Temperature Profiles (TMP9 through TMP17)

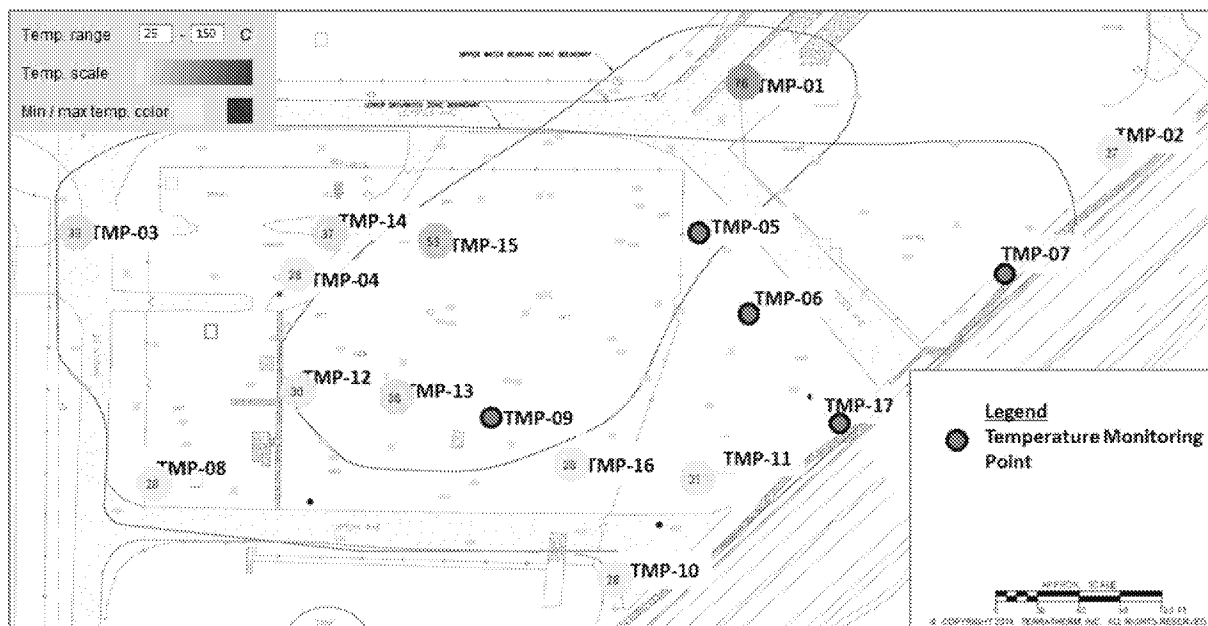
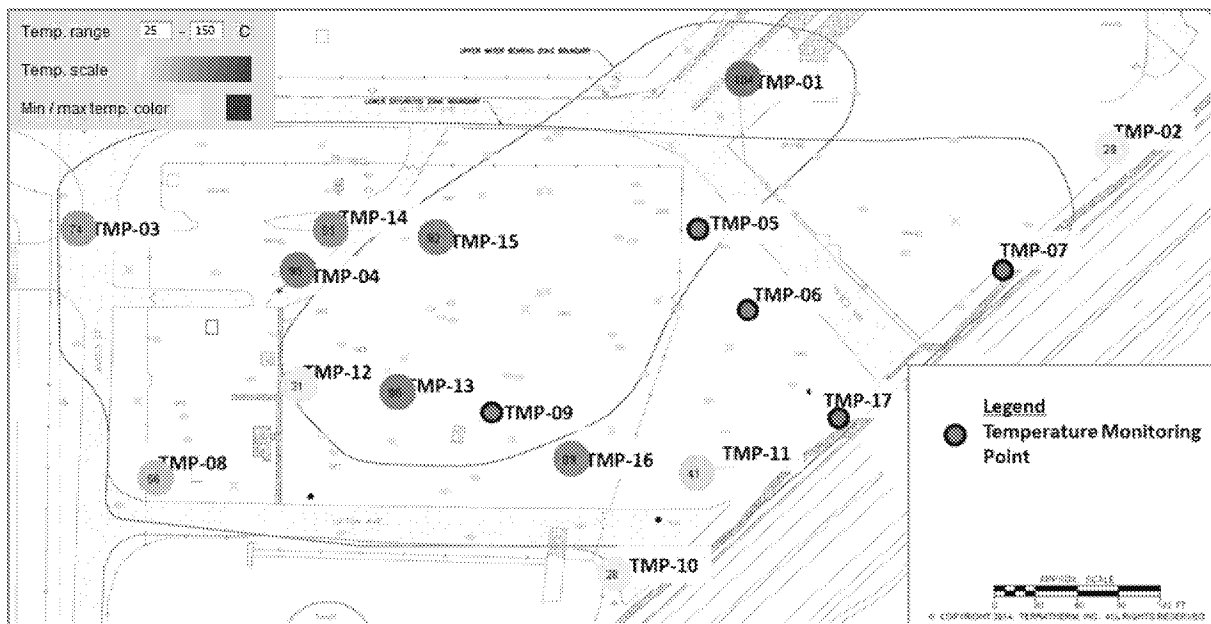
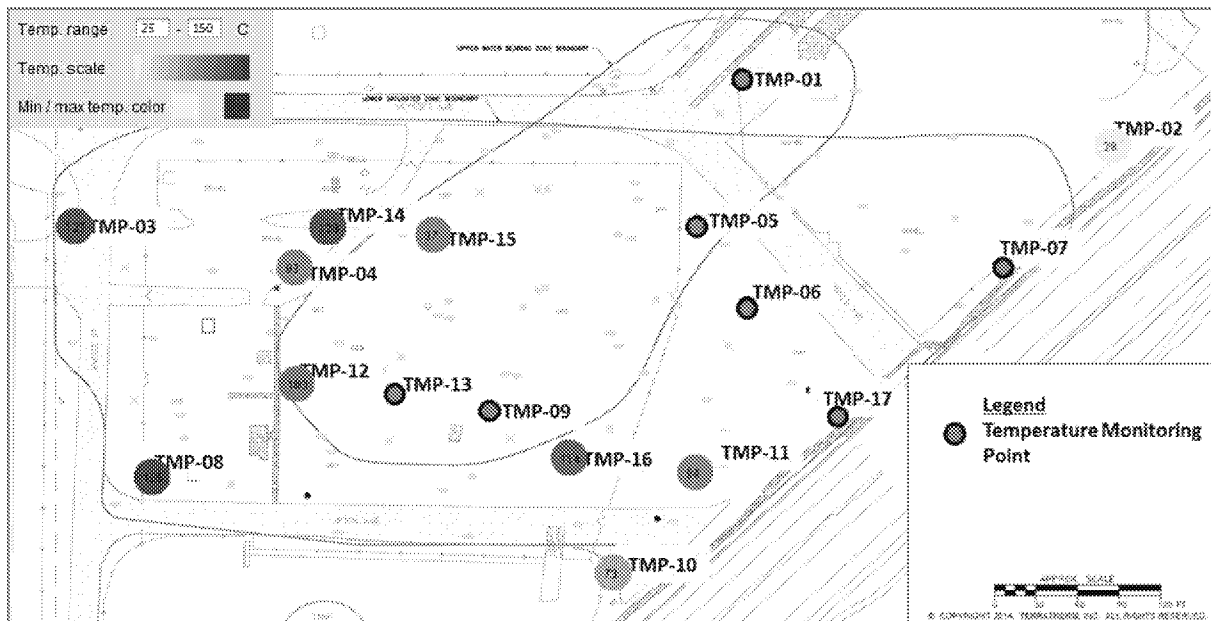


Figure 9. Horizontal Temperature Distribution across the CZ (145-160 ft bgs) (temperatures shown in °C)

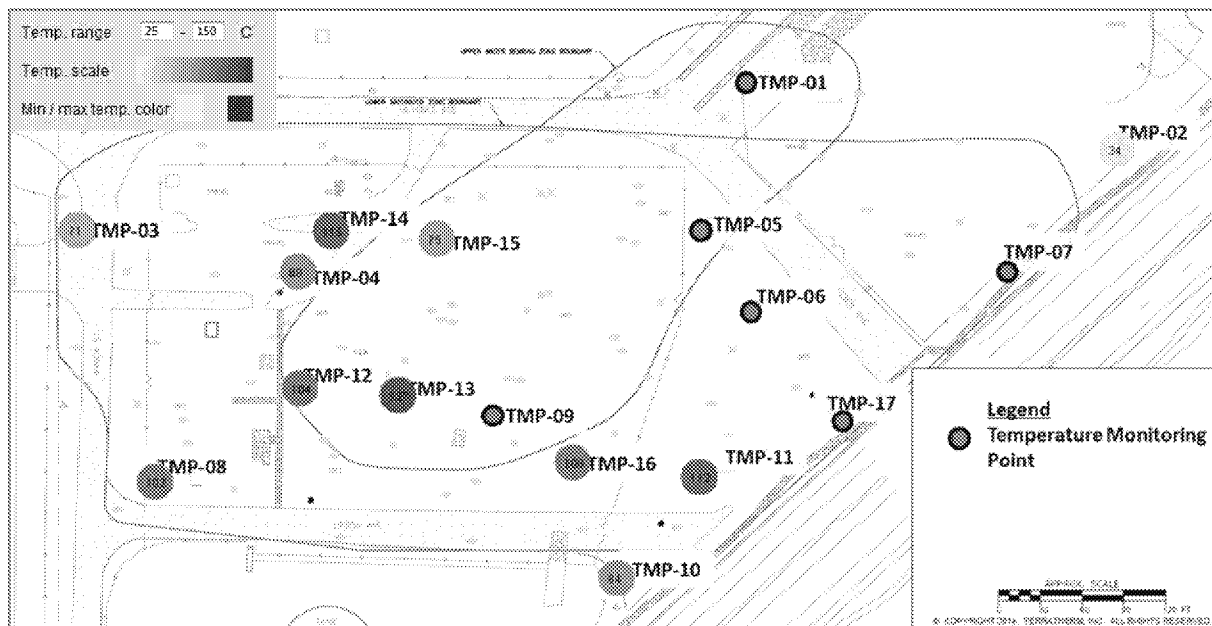


**Figure 10. Horizontal Temperature Distribution across the UWBZ (161-195 ft bgs) (temperatures shown in °C)**



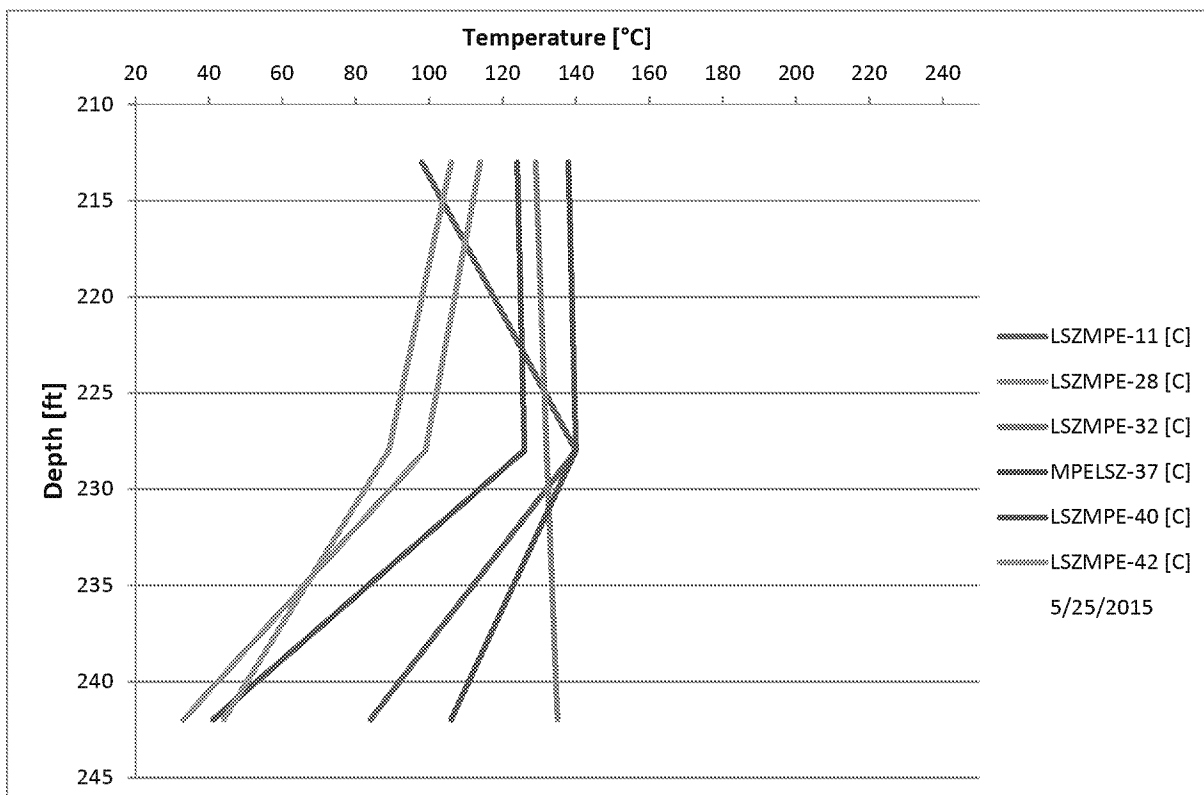
**Figure 11. Horizontal Temperature Distribution across the Lower Permeable Zone (196-210 ft bgs) (temperatures shown in °C)**

*Note: The replacement sensor installed in TMP-13 within the LPZ zone is not reading correctly and therefore the temperature has not been included on this figure.*



**Figure 12. Horizontal Temperature Distribution across the LSZ (211-245 ft bgs) (temperatures shown in °C)**

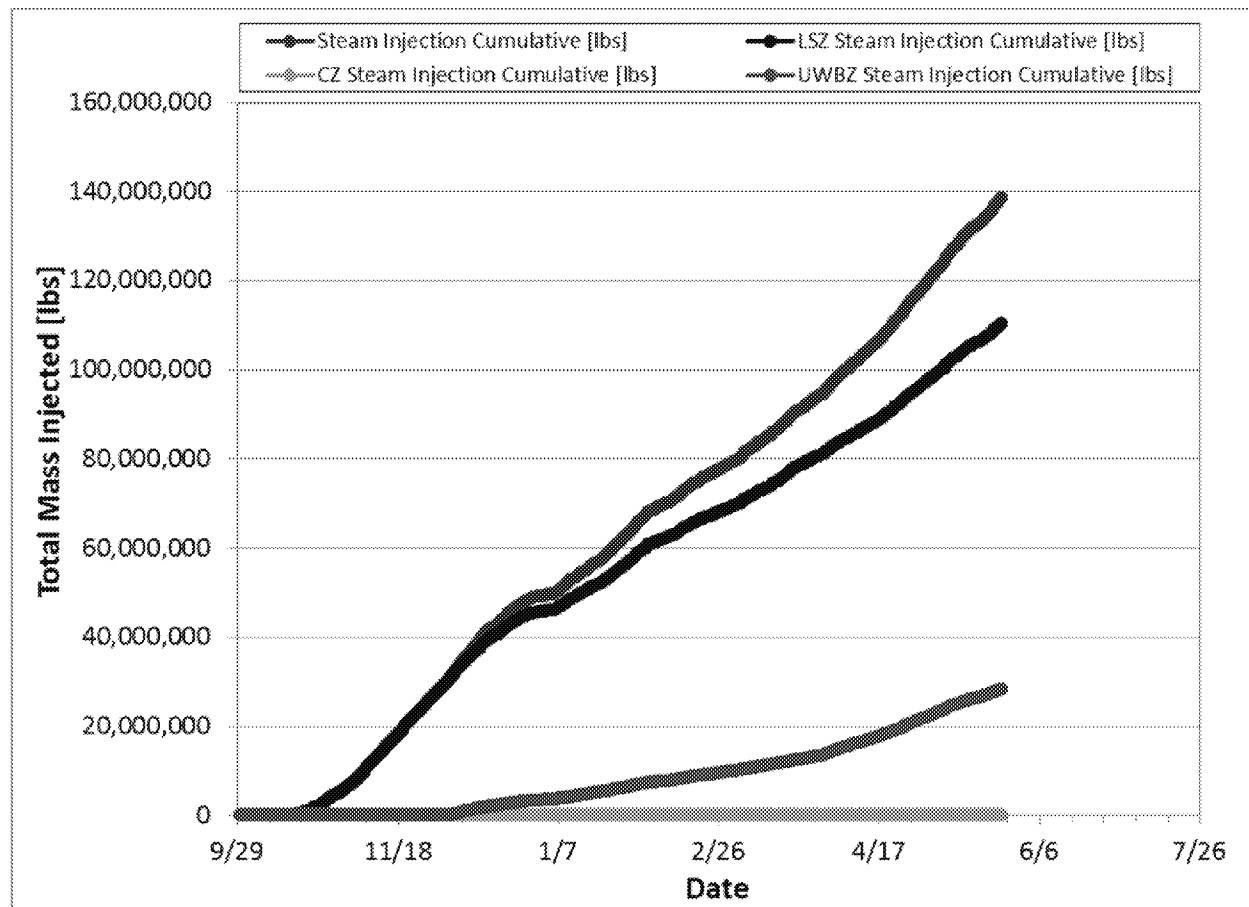
Figure 13 below shows the observed temperatures by depth at selected LSZ extraction wells.



**Figure 13. Temperatures by Depth at Selected LSZ Extraction Wells (211-245 ft bgs) (temperatures shown in °C)**

## 9. Cumulative Steam Injection

Steam injection was initiated Thursday, October 16, 2014. Figure 14 below shows the cumulative steam injection for each of the three injection zones.



**Figure 14. Cumulative Steam Injection for Each of the Three Injection Zones**

*Note: The steam injection has not yet been initiated in the CZ.*

## 10. Steam Injection Rates

The figure below shows the steam injection rates for each of the three injection zones.

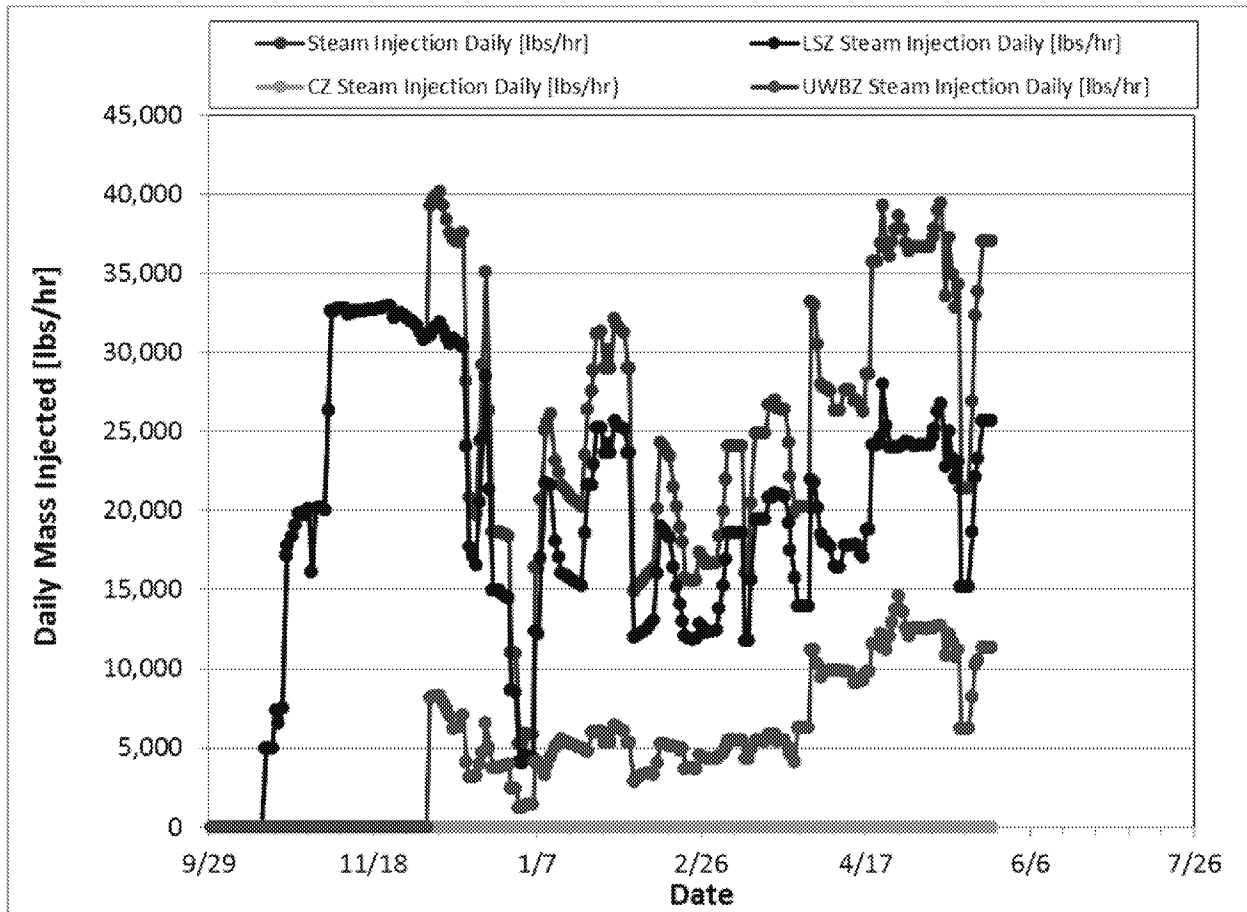


Figure 15. Steam Injection Rate for Each of the Three Injection Zones

*Note: The steam injection has not yet been initiated in the CZ.*

## 11. Cumulative Water Extraction by Zone

The cumulative water extraction for each of the three treatment zones is shown below. The cumulative water extraction is calculated based on flow meters installed at each of the 57 extraction wells (accuracy should be considered +/- 20%). The figure below shows the net liquid extracted from the subsurface at the site and does not include the fraction of water that is recirculated to the eductor wells and used as motive water.

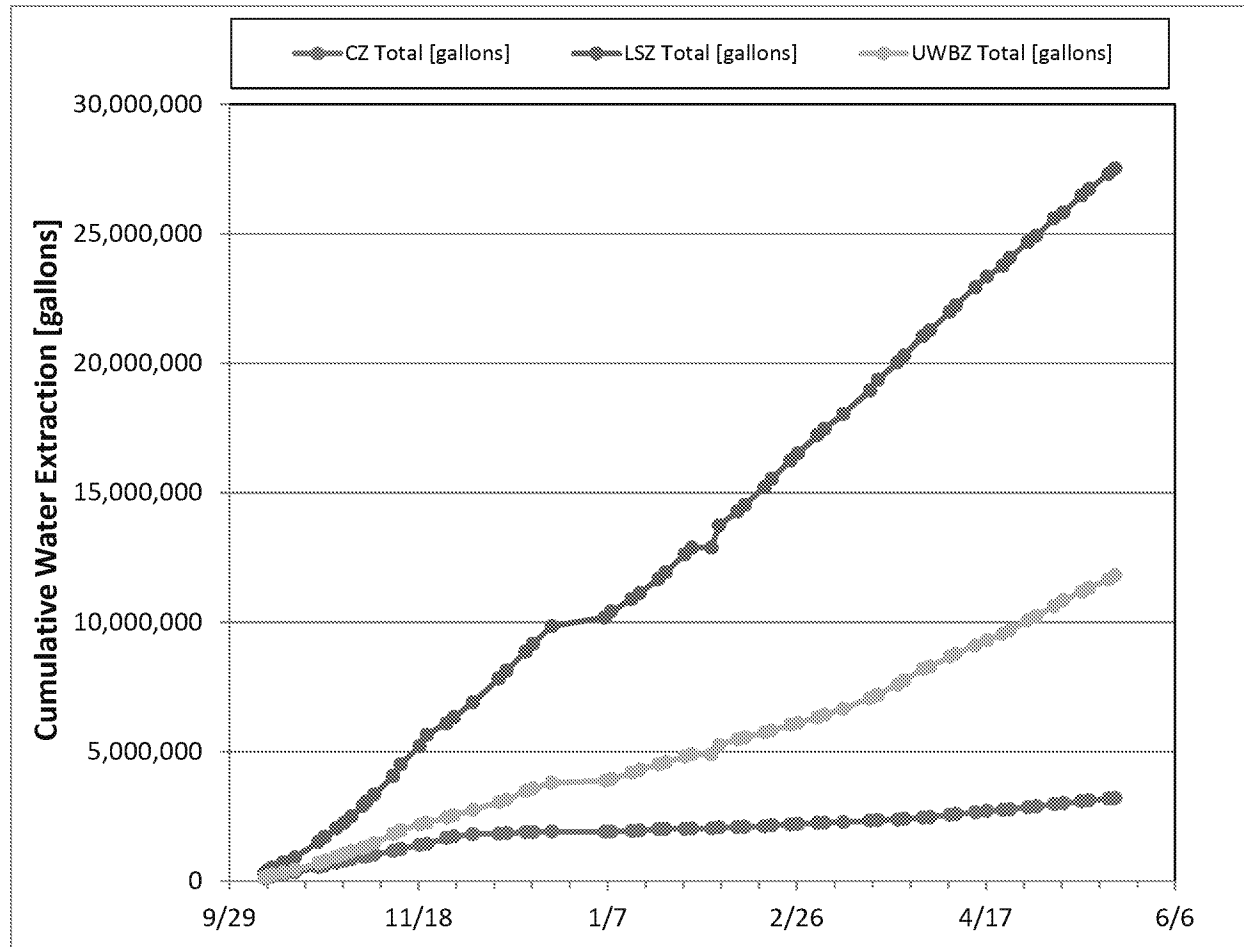


Figure 16. Cumulative Water Extraction for Each of the Three Treatment Zones



## 12. Water Extraction Rates by Zone

The figure below shows the water extraction rates for each of the three treatment zones.

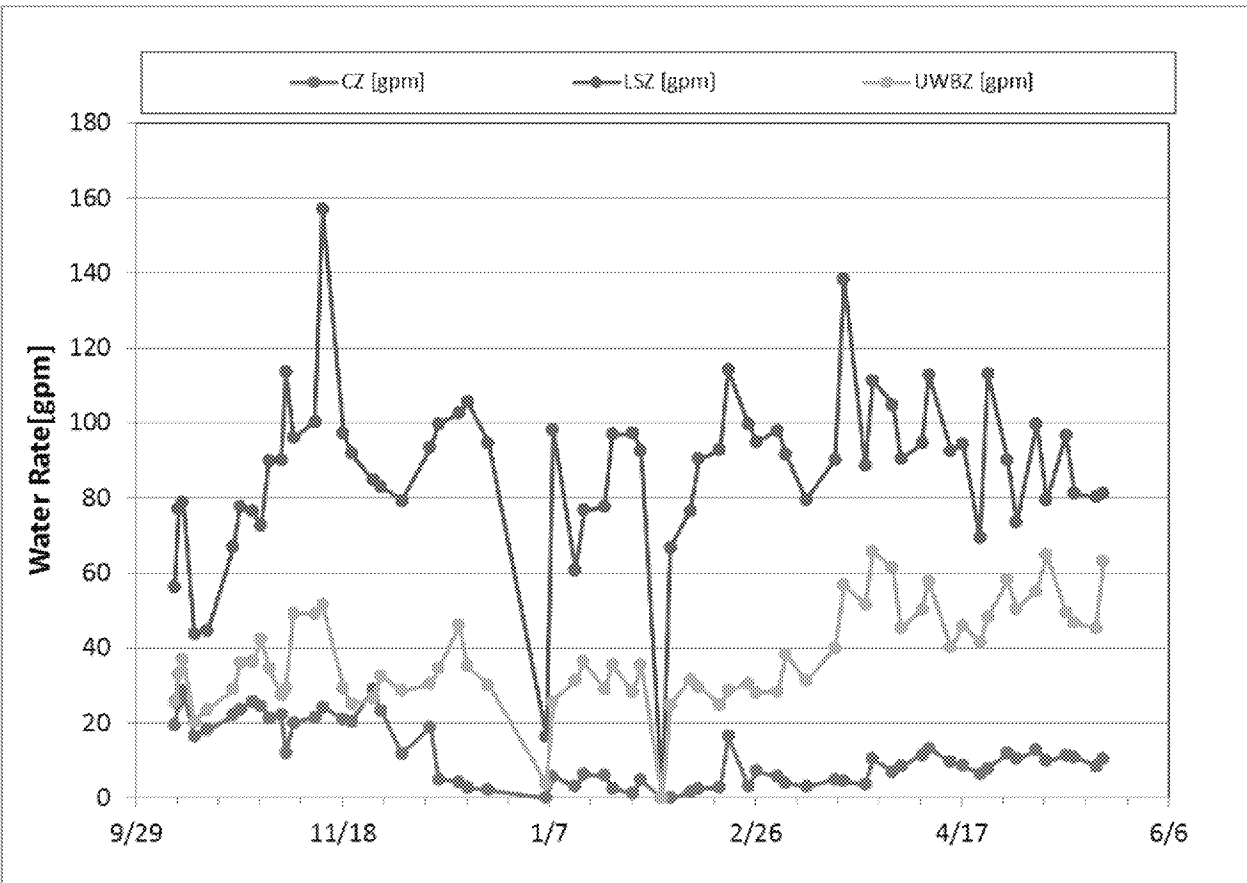
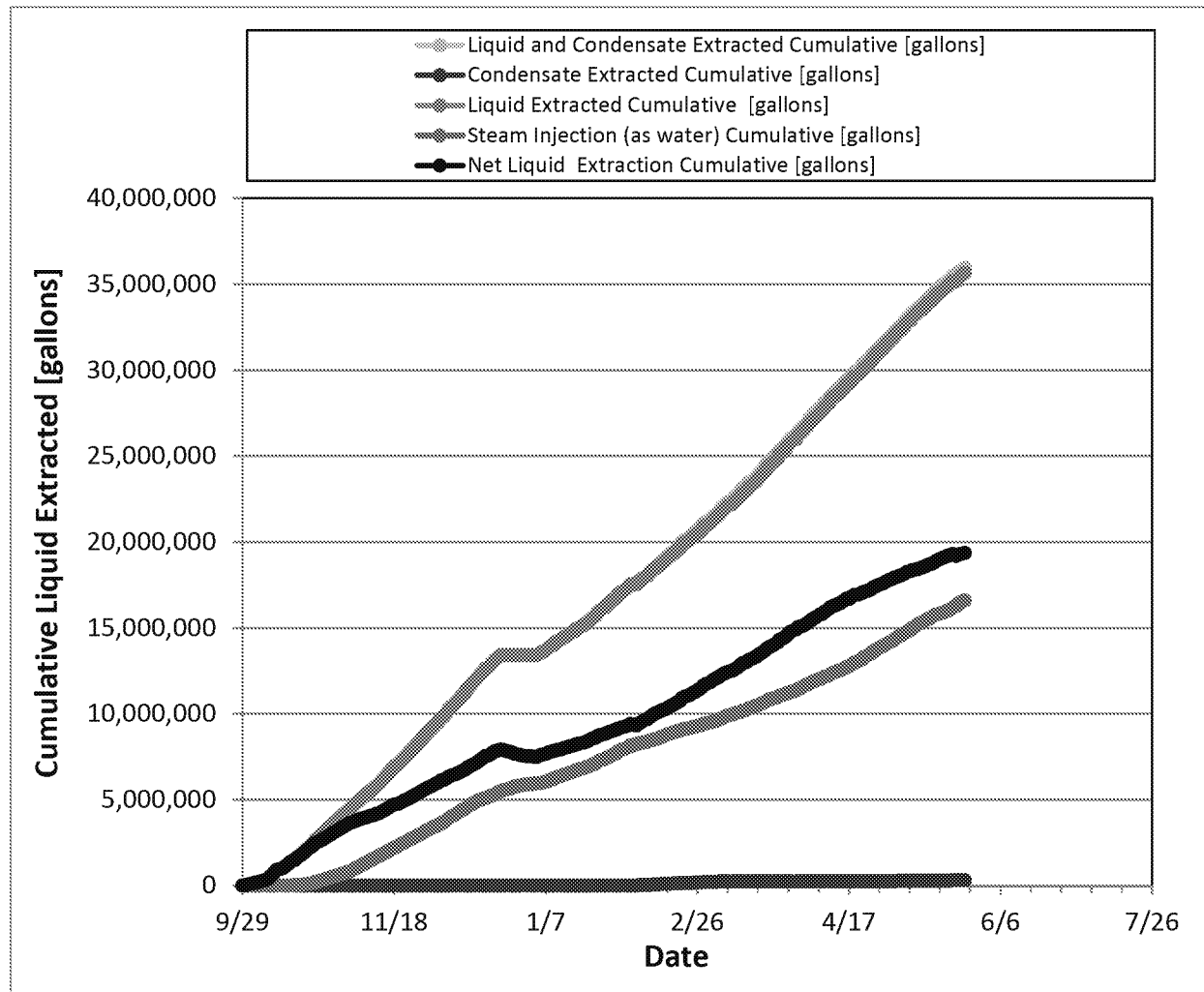


Figure 17. Water Extraction Rates for Each of the Three Treatment Zones

### 13. Cumulative Water Balance

The cumulative water balance for the site is shown below. The chart shows the net liquid extracted from the subsurface at the site and does not include the fraction of water that is recirculated to the eductor wells and used as motive water.

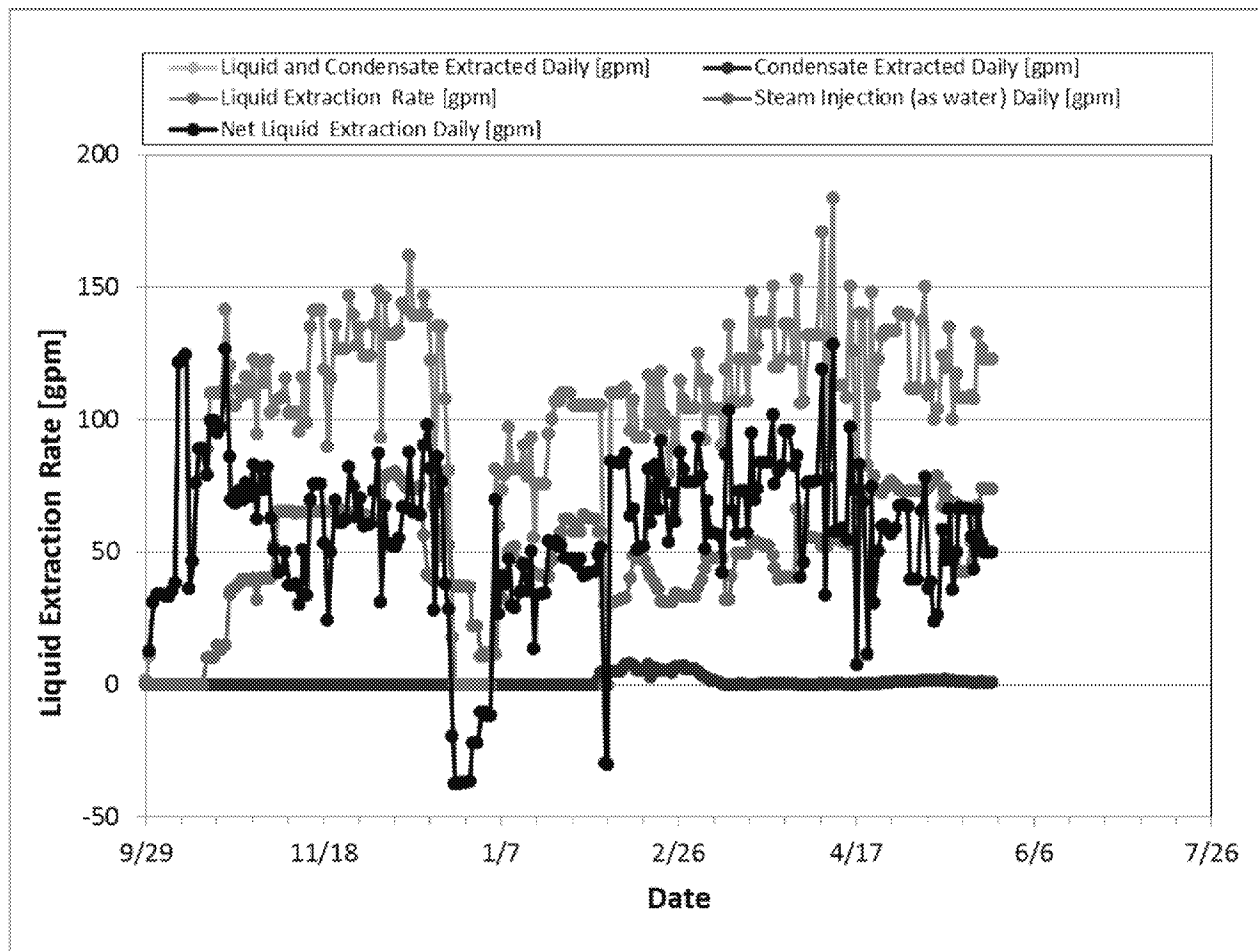


**Figure 18. Cumulative Water Balance**

*Note: At this time only limited steam or condensate has been extracted from the site.*

## 14. Water Balance Rate

The total system water extraction rates are shown in the figure below.



**Figure 19. Water Balance Rates**

*Note: At this time only limited steam or condensate has been extracted from the site.*

## 15. Cumulative Energy Balance

The cumulative energy balance for the site is shown below. As shown below, the temperature of the extracted wellfield water (combined motive and formation water) is increasing and energy is starting to be extracted from the subsurface.

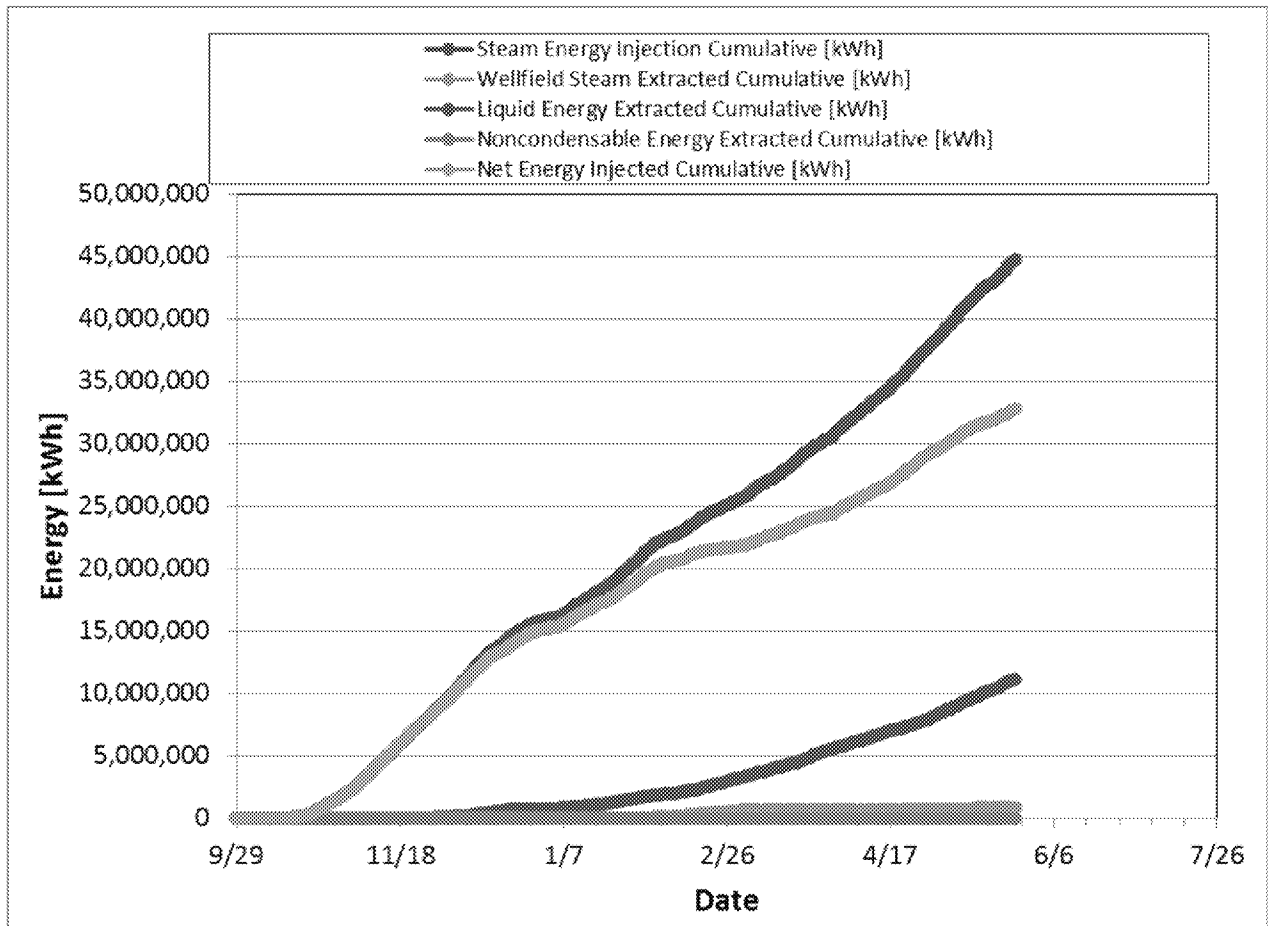
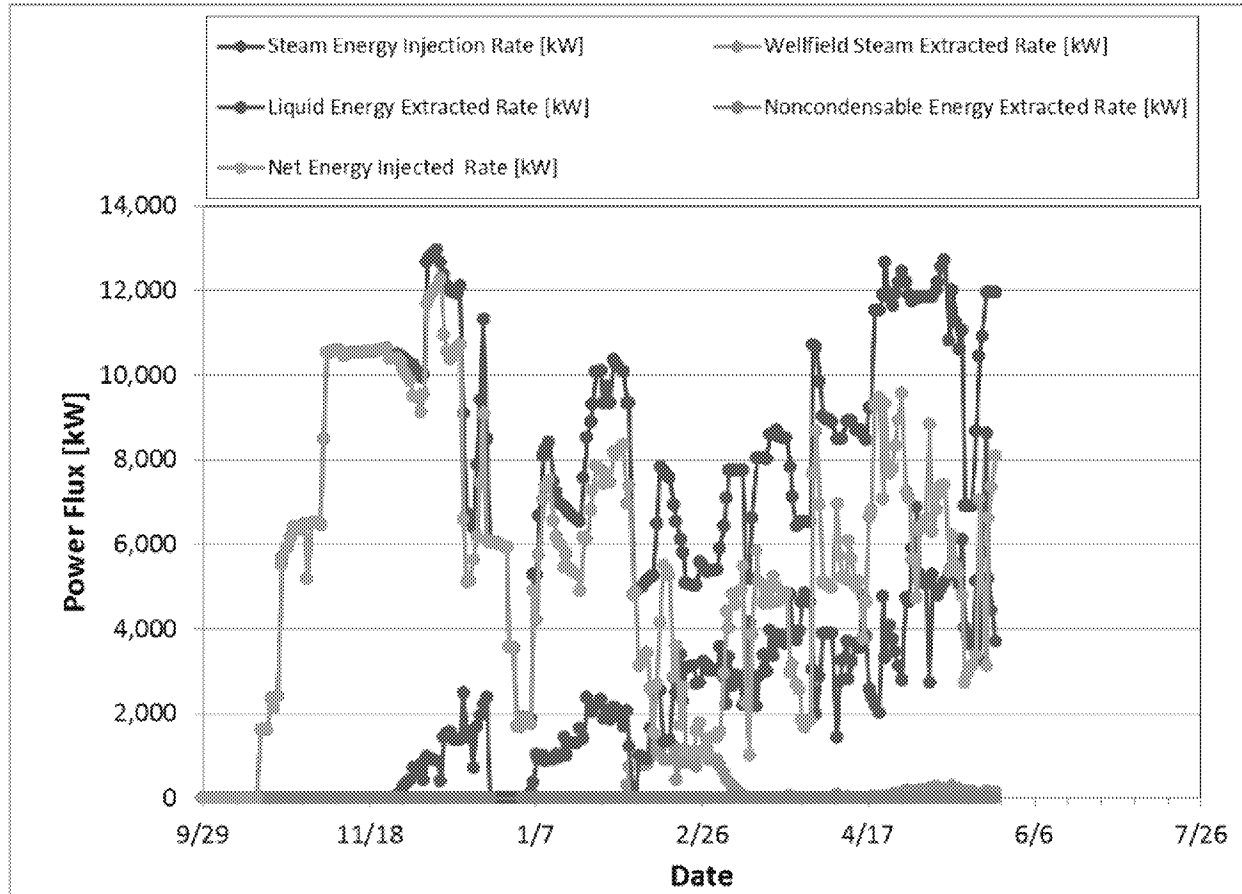


Figure 20. Cumulative Energy Balance

*Note: At this time only limited energy has been extracted as steam from the site.*

## 16. Energy Balance Rates

The energy balance rates are shown below.



**Figure 21. Energy Balance Rates**

*Note: At this time only limited energy has been extracted as steam from the site.*

## 17. Perimeter Water Level Data

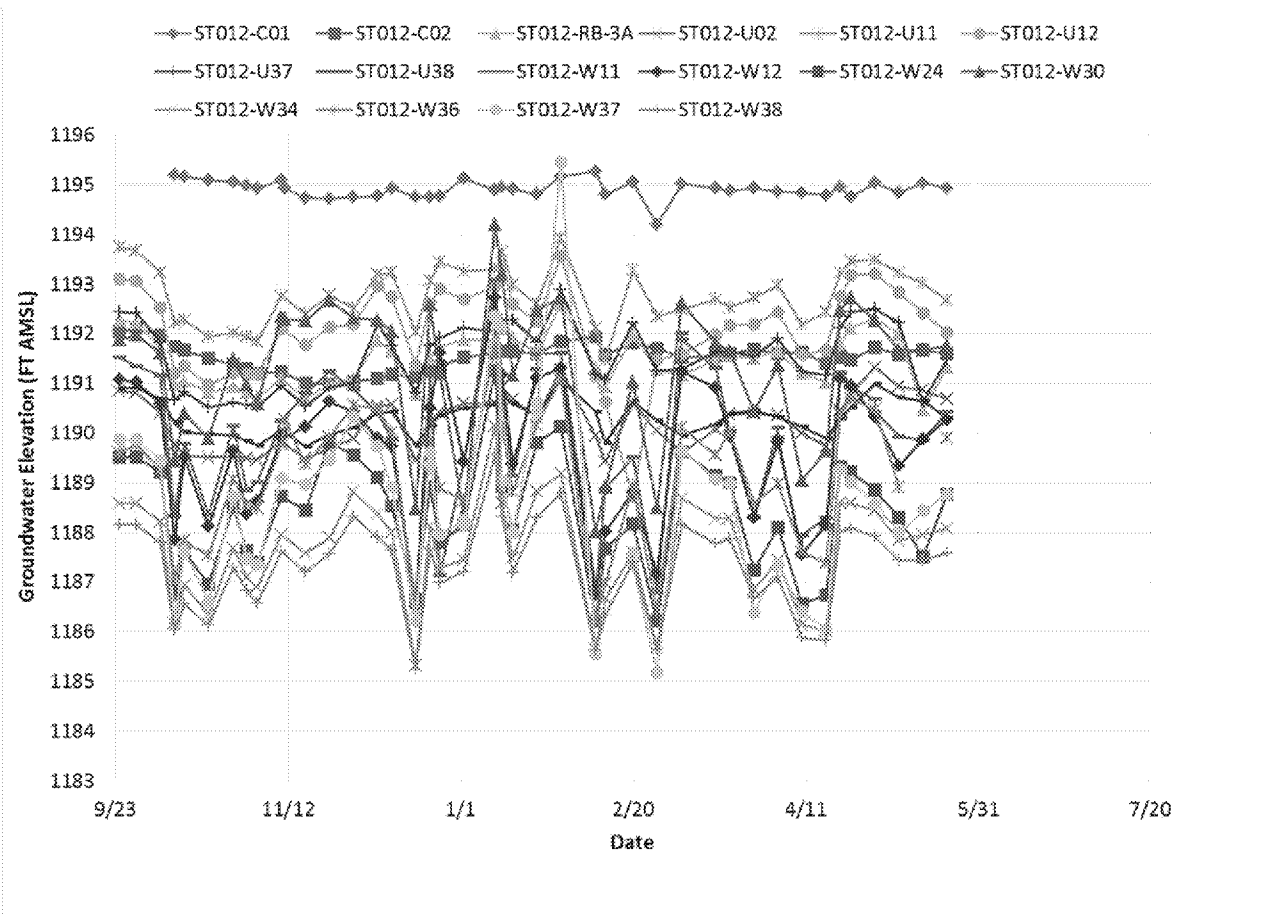
Table 2 below presents the change in perimeter groundwater elevations since SEE system startup. The readings collected on September 24, 2014 (not shown) represent baseline conditions. A negative number shows that the groundwater elevation is lower than the baseline elevation, thus indicating an inward hydraulic gradient into the treatment zone. Liquid extraction began on September 29, 2014. Perimeter water level data are collected on a weekly basis. The regional groundwater table at the Site is increasing at a rate of approximately 1.5 ft/year; thus, each measured value shown in Table 2 has been corrected to take the regional changes into account.

**Table 2. Perimeter Groundwater Elevation Changes**

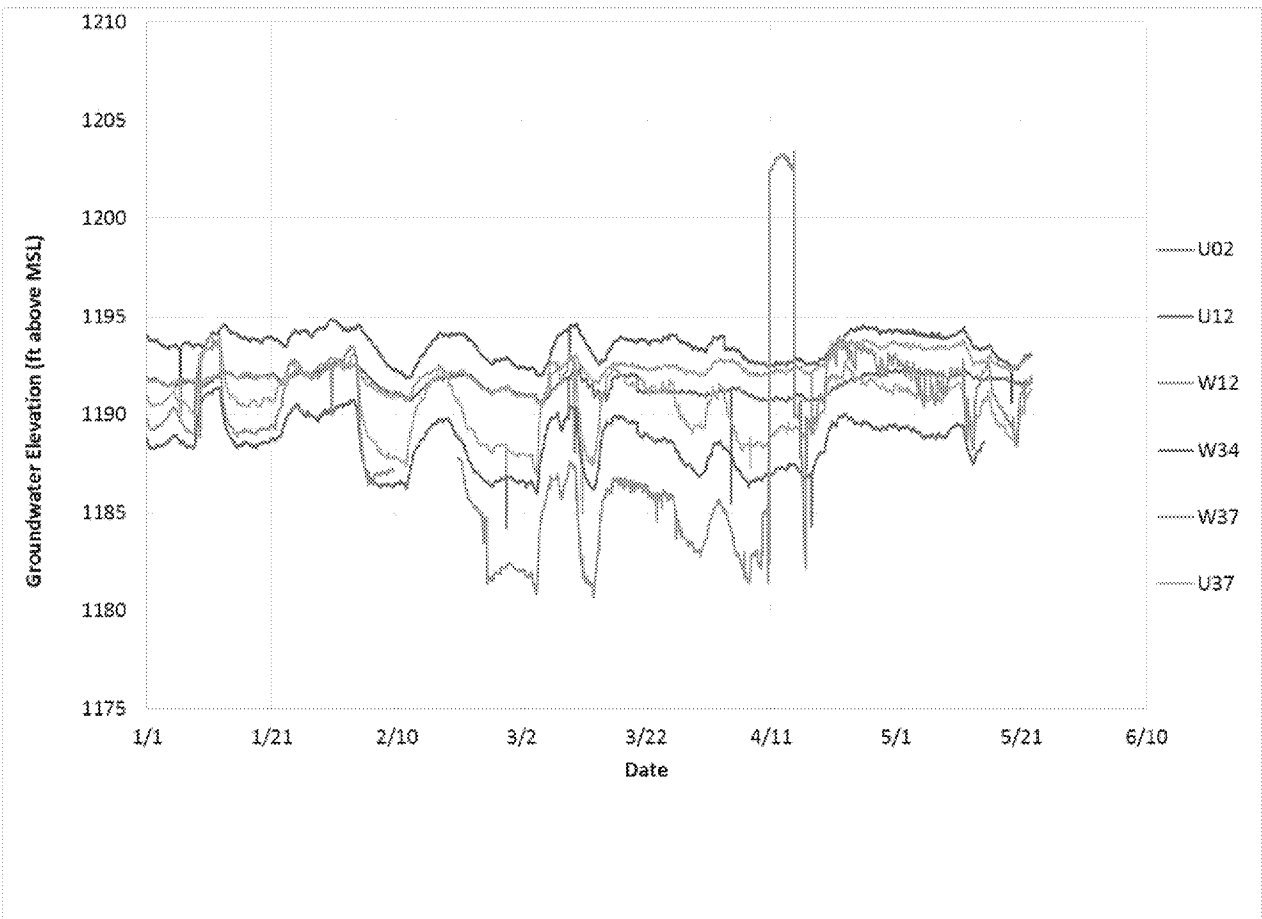
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	Change from Baseline	Change from Previous	Change from Baseline	Change from Previous	Change from Baseline	Change from Previous	Change from Baseline	Change from Previous
<b>CZ/UWBZ Wells</b>								
ST012-C01	-0.23	0.32	-0.43	-0.17	-0.24	0.22	-0.33	-0.07
ST012-C02	-0.33	0.27	-0.47	-0.11	-0.39	0.11	-0.46	-0.04
<b>UWBZ Wells</b>								
ST012-RB-3A	0.04	0.23	-0.28	-0.29	-1.80	-1.49	-0.95	0.88
ST012-U02	0.48	0.56	0.10	-0.35	0.02	-0.05	-0.17	-0.16
ST012-U11	-0.24	0.06	-0.52	-0.25	-0.73	-0.18	-1.08	-0.32
ST012-U12	0.10	0.06	-0.28	-0.35	-0.70	-0.39	-1.08	-0.35
ST012-U37	0.05	0.09	-0.21	-0.23	-1.81	-1.57	-0.27	0.88
ST012-U38	0.09	0.49	-0.17	-0.23	-0.25	-0.05	-0.59	-0.31
<b>LSZ Wells</b>								
ST012-W11	-1.09	-0.25	-1.60	-0.48	-0.70	-0.03	-0.70	0.60
ST012-W12	-0.74	-0.60	-1.74	-0.97	-1.20	0.57	-0.81	0.42
ST012-W24	-0.67	-0.33	-1.22	-0.52	-2.01	-0.76	-0.75	1.29
ST012-W30	0.37	-0.43	-0.23	-0.57	-0.23	0.03	-0.13	0.12
ST012-W34	-0.14	-0.12	-0.75	-0.58	-0.62	0.16	-0.50	0.15
ST012-W36	0.88	-0.17	-0.71	-1.56	N/A	N/A	0.28	1.05
ST012-W37	-1.26	-0.39	-1.85	-0.56	-1.41	0.47	-1.09	0.36
ST012-W38	-0.23	-0.13	-0.71	-0.45	-0.71	0.03	-0.58	0.16

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Figure 22 shows the manually collected groundwater elevation trends since system startup. Additionally Figure 23 shows the groundwater elevations continuously logged in selected perimeter wells equipped with transducers. The regional groundwater table correction has also been applied to Figure 22 below.



**Figure 22. Manually Collected Perimeter Groundwater Elevations**



**Figure 23. Automatically Collected Perimeter Groundwater Elevations**

*Note: The transducer installed in W34 ran out of memory and did therefore not record any data the past week. The transducer has been emptied and data will be available next week.*



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Table 3 below presents the measured LNAPL thicknesses of the perimeter wells at the site. The readings collected on September 24, 2014 represent baseline conditions while the readings collected after are during SEE operations. Perimeter LNAPL thickness data are collected on a weekly basis.

**Table 3. Perimeter LNAPL Thicknesses (ft)**

Monitoring Well	9/24/2014	5/8/2015		5/15/2015		5/22/2015	
CZ/UWBZ Wells		Before bailing	After Bailing	Before bailing	After Bailing	Before bailing	After Bailing
ST012-C01		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ST012-C02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
UWBZ Wells							
ST012-U02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ST012-U11	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ST012-U12	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ST012-U37	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ST012-U38	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ST012-RB-3A	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LSZ Wells							
ST012-W11	0.30	45.90	0.55	78.38	5.61	84.60	0.63
ST012-W12	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ST012-W24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ST012-W30	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ST012-W34	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ST012-W36	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ST012-W37	0.42	32.93	4.92	28.41	5.70	22.83	6.01
ST012-W38	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

On December 1, 2014, temperatures at selected perimeter wells were added to the monitoring program. Figure 24 below shows the manually collected temperatures recorded at the wells included in the monitoring program. Additionally Figure 25 shows the temperatures continuously logged in selected perimeter wells equipped with transducers.

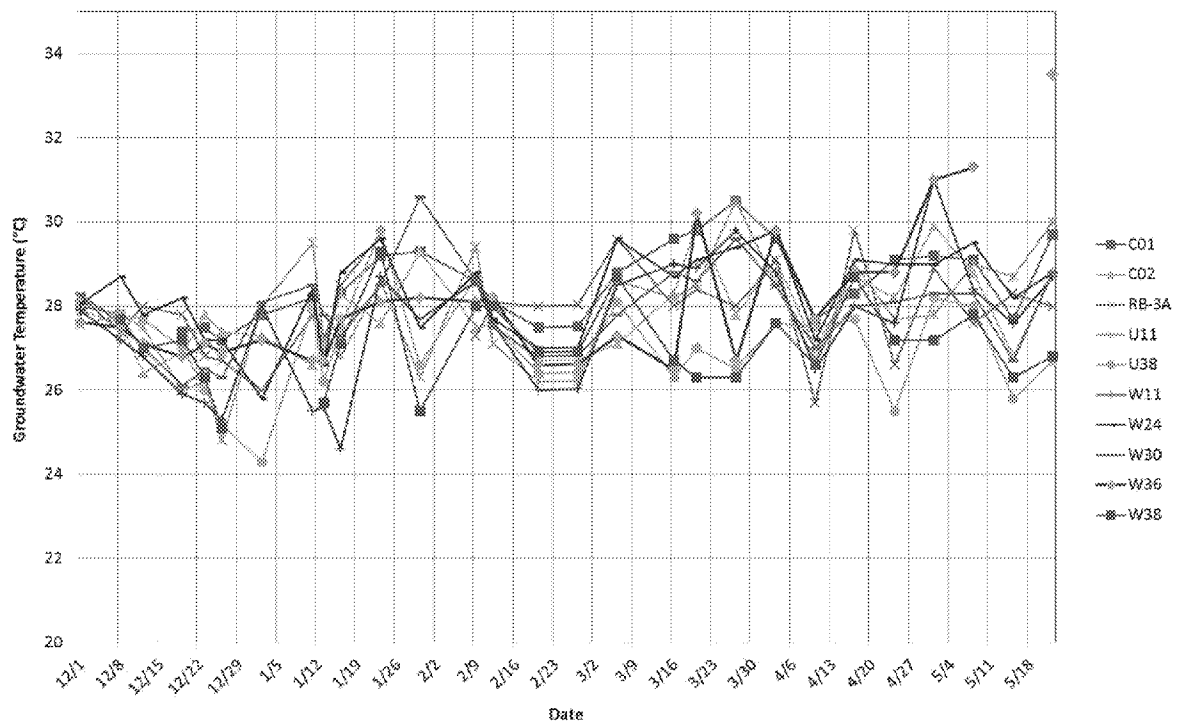
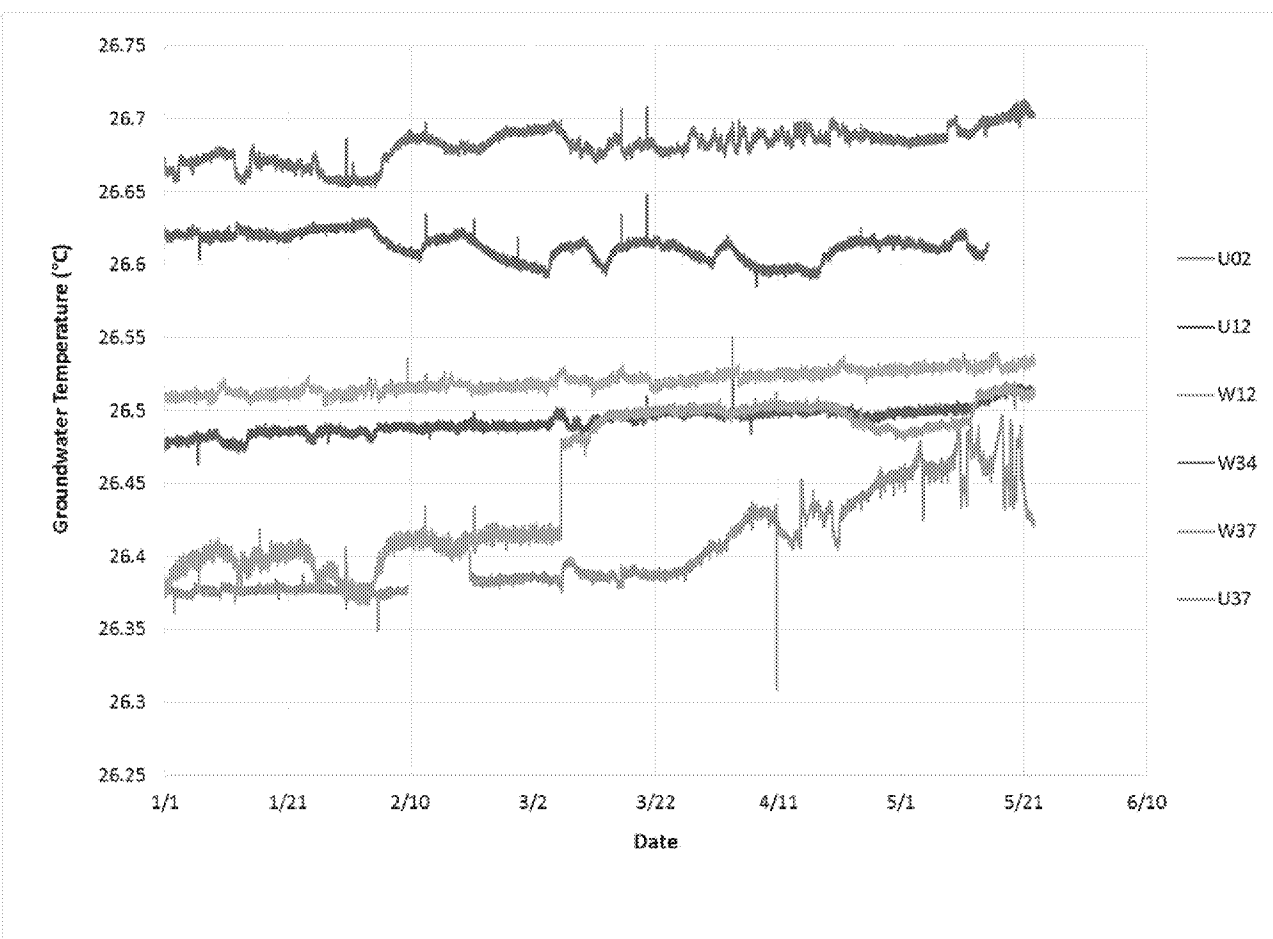


Figure 24. Manually Collected Perimeter Well Groundwater Temperatures



**Figure 25. Automatically Collected Perimeter Well Groundwater Temperatures**

*Note: On March 7, 2015 operational personnel replaced the U37 logger unit. The increase in temperature on March 7, 2015 at U37 is a result of this replacement.*

*Note: The transducer installed in W34 ran out of memory and did therefore not record any data the past week. The transducer has been emptied and data will be available next week.*

## 18. Natural Gas Usage

The following figure shows the natural gas usage rate in cubic feet per hour (cf/hr) and cumulative natural gas use in cubic feet (cf) to date at the site.

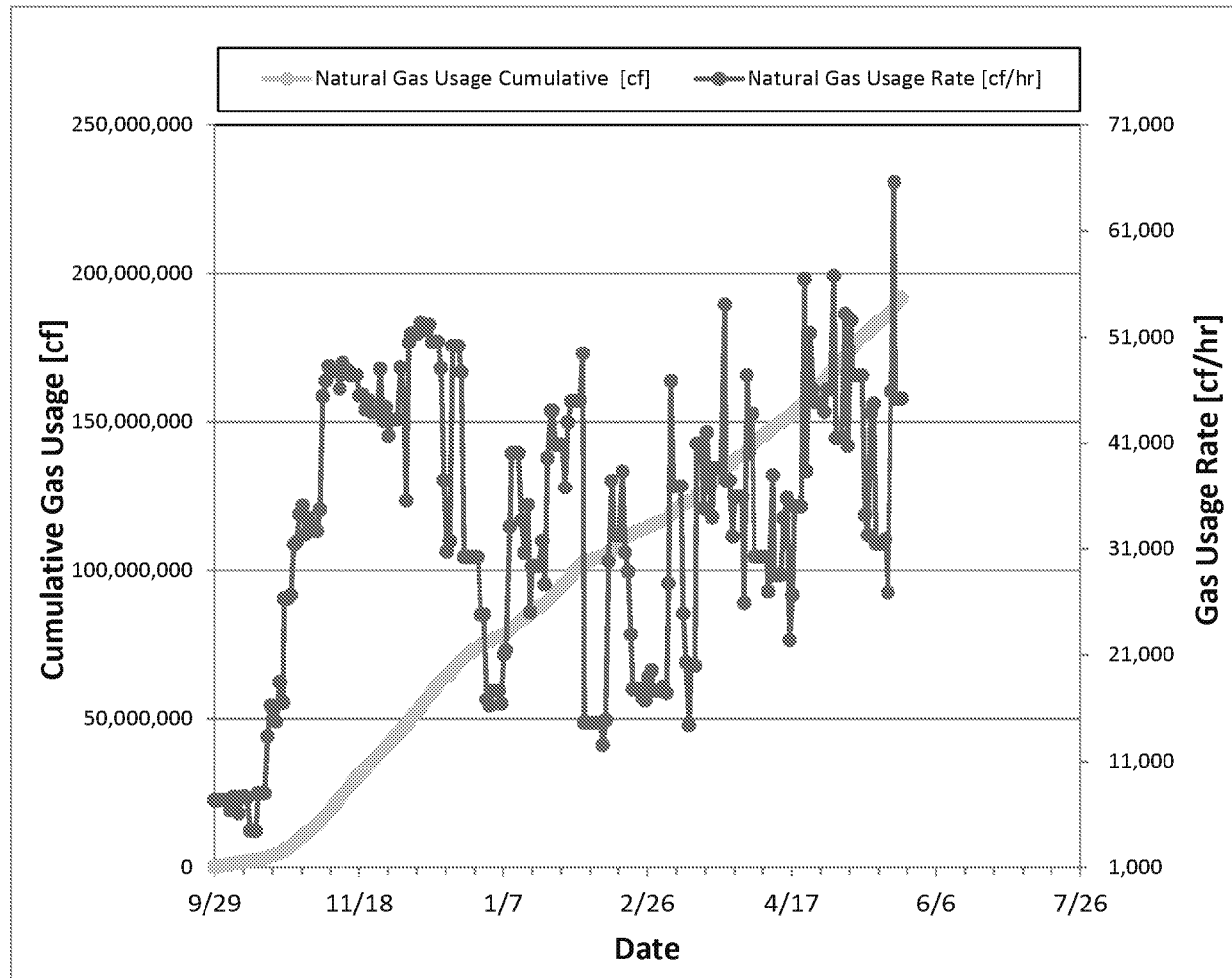


Figure 26. Natural Gas Usage

## **19. Waste Generation**

On January 19, 2015 a total of 8,033 gallons of material from tank cleanout activities was removed from the site by Mesa Oil for recycling. The mass of JP-4 in the material was estimated to be 2,857 gallons or 18,800 lbs.

On February 18 and 19, 2015 a total of 24,430 gallons of material from tank cleanout activities was removed from the site by Mesa Oil for recycling. The mass of JP-4 in the material was estimated to be 3,645 gallons or 23,984 lbs.

On March 12, 2015 a total of 11,359 gallons of predominantly water from tank cleanout activities was removed from the site by Mesa Oil for recycling. The JP-4 mass in the water was limited.

On March 20, 2015 the first shipment of bag filters (four cubic yard boxes) from the SEE process treatment system was shipped offsite for non-hazardous disposal.

On March 30 and 31, 2015 a total of 32,000 lbs of spent liquid carbon was removed from the site by Evoqua Water Technologies for regeneration at their Red Bluff, CA facility.

On April 24, 2015 a shipment of bag filters (three cubic yard boxes) from the SEE process treatment system was shipped offsite for non-hazardous disposal.

## **20. NAPL Reuse**

On April 7, 2015 a total of 12,647 gallons of stored NAPL was sent to Mesa Oil for reuse. The analysis showed that 703 gallons of the total fluid was water. The water has been subtracted from the NAPL recovery estimate.

On April 21-22, 2015 a total of 13,076 gallons of stored NAPL was sent to Mesa Oil for reuse. Analysis showed a water content between <1% to 3% or a total of 227 gallons of water. The water removed has been subtracted from the NAPL recovery estimate.

On May 7, 2015 a total of 5,722 gallons of stored NAPL was sent to Mesa Oil for reuse.

On May 21, 2015 a total of 1,400 gallons of stored NAPL was sent to Mesa Oil for reuse.